GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:175
ANSWERED ON:03.08.2006
PROCUREMENT OF WAGONS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a)Whether the Railways have initiated any talks with some of the foreign countries for procurement of wagons and also for technology transfer for improving wagon design;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether the private sector companies have also shown interest for supply of wagons to Railways;

(d) If so, the details thereof; and

(e) The further action taken/being taken by the Railways in the matter? ANSWER

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI LALU PRASAD)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.175 BY SHRI NIKHIL KUMAR & SHRI ADHIR CHOWDHURY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 3.8.2006 REGARDING PROCUREMENT OF WAGONS

(a) & (b) No, Sir. Railways have not initiated any talks with foreign countries for procurement of wagons. However, designs of wagons in foreign countries are being studied for adoption, if found suitable.

(c) Yes, Sir. A number of private sector companies supply wagons to Railways.

(d) Some of the private sector companies that supply wagons to Railways are M/s Texmaco Limited, Kolkata; M/s BESCO Limited, Kolkata; M/s Titagarh Industries Limited, Kolkata; M/s Modern Industries,

Sahibabad; M/s Hindusthan Engineering & Industries Limited, Kolkata & M/s. Jessop & Company Limited, Kolkata etc.

(e)Procurement of wagons and improvement in their designs is a continuous process so as to match traffic needs and also to improve productivity.